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MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND PRESCRIBED HOURS OF LABOUR FOR EMPLOYEES

IN SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA, AT 30TH JUNE, 1960.

(Wages and hours are quoted from Awards, Determinations or Agreements operative at 30th June, 1960).

ADULT MALES

Industry and Occupation	SYDNEY		MELBOURNE	
	Wage Rate	Hours	Wage Rate	Hours
	s. d.		s. d.	
<u>ENGINEERING, METAL WORKS, ETC.</u>				
<u>Boilermaking -</u>				
Boilermaker	379. 0	40	371. 0	40
Helper	312. 6	"	304. 6	"
Labourer	294. 6	"	286. 6	"
<u>Engineering -</u>				
Blacksmith	382. 0	"	374. 0	"
Brassfinisher	379. 0	"	371. 0	"
Coppersmith	382. 0	"	374. 0	"
Fitter	379. 0	"	371. 0	"
Labourer	294. 6	"	286. 6	"
Patternmaker	408. 0	"	400. 0	"
Shaper	379. 0	"	371. 0	"
Striker	318. 0	"	310. 0	"
Turner	379. 0	"	371. 0	"
<u>Foundry -</u>				
Coremaker - machine	347. 0	"	339. 0	"
Coremaker - jobbing	379. 0	"	371. 0	"
Dresser	344. 0	"	336. 0	"
Furnaceman	340. 6	"	332. 6	"
Moulder - machine	347. 0	"	339. 0	"
Moulder - jobbing	379. 0	"	371. 0	"
<u>Sheet Metal Working -</u>				
Canister Maker	321. 6	"	313. 6	"
Machinist	311. 0	"	303. 0	"
Solderer	321. 6	"	313. 6	"
Sheet Metal Worker, 1st Class	379. 0	"	371. 0	"
Sheet Metal Worker, 2nd Class	347. 0	"	339. 0	"
<u>Vehicle Building -</u>				
Bodymaker, 1st Class	379. 0	"	371. 0	"
Labourer	287. 0	"	279. 0	"
Painter	369. 6	"	361. 6	"
Springfitter	379. 0	"	371. 0	"
Trimmer	369. 6	"	361. 6	"
Wheelwright	379. 0	"	371. 0	"
<u>TEXTILES, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR</u>				
<u>Bootmaking -</u>				
Clicker	346. 6	"	346. 6	"
<u>Tailoring (Order) -</u>				
Cutter	461. 0	"	399. 6	"
Presser	350. 6	"	350. 6	"
Tailor	365. 0	"	365. 0	"

WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS, ADULT MALES, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,  
30TH JUNE, 1960 - (Cont'd)

Industry and Occupation	SYDNEY		MELBOURNE	
	Wage Rate	Hours	Wage Rate	Hours
TEXTILES, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR (Contd)	s. d.		s. d.	
<u>Tailoring (Readymade) -</u>				
Cutter	371. 0	40	371. 0	40
Presser	350. 6	"	350. 6	"
Tailor	365. 0	"	365. 0	"
Trimmer	350. 6	"	350. 6	"
<u>Textile Working (Woollen Mills) -</u>				
Carder	319. 0	"	319. 0	"
Dyehouseman	324. 0	"	324. 0	"
Labourer (General)	282. 0	"	282. 0	"
Scourer (Wool)	336. 0	"	336. 0	"
Spinner	319. 0	"	319. 0	"
Loom Tuner	367. 6	"	368. 0	"
Warper (Plain)	323. 0	"	323. 0	"
<u>FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO</u>				
<u>Baking (Bread) -</u>				
Board Hand	370. 0	"	403. 0	"
Ovensman	380. 0	"	403. 0	"
Single Hand	375. 0	"	432. 10	"
Bread Carter	358. 0	"	368. 0	"
<u>Baking (Biscuits and Cakes) -</u>				
Baker	350. 0	"	339. 0	"
Labourer	310. 0	"	300. 6	"
Mixer	335. 0	"	339. 0	"
<u>Brewing -</u>				
Cellarman	337. 0	"	337. 0	"
Driver (Motor, 3 tons)	354. 6	"	333. 0	"
Labourer	337. 0	"	330. 0	"
Malt Hand	337. 0	"	336. 6	"
Towerman	345. 6	"	339. 0	"
<u>Confectionery -</u>				
Confectioner (Grade 1)	352. 0	"	342. 0	"
Storeman	335. 0	"	330. 6	"
<u>Jam Making -</u>				
General Labourer	308. 6	"	308. 6	"
Solderer	315. 0	"	315. 0	"
<u>Meat Packing -</u>				
Capper	348. 0	"	372. 0	"
Guillotine Hand	327. 0	"	388. 0	"
Jokerman	341. 0	"	366. 0	"
Packer	327. 0	"	366. 6	"
Seamer	348. 0	"	372. 0	"
<u>Milling (Flour) -</u>				
Miller (Shift)	428. 0	"	428. 0	"
Packerman	348. 6	"	348. 6	"
Purifierman	354. 6	"	354. 6	"
Smutterman	354. 6	"	354. 6	"
Storeman (Head)	368. 0	"	368. 0	"
Topman	354. 6	"	354. 6	"
<u>Pastrycooking -</u>				
Packer	327. 0	"	298. 0	"
Pastrycook	371. 0	"	363. 6	"

WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS, ADULT MALES, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,30TH JUNE, 1960 - (Cont'd)

Industry and Occupation	SYDNEY		MELBOURNE	
	Wage Rate s. d.	Hours	Wage Rate s. d.	Hours
<u>SAWMILLING, FURNITURE, ETC.</u>				
<u>Coopering -</u>				
Cooper	379. 0	40	399. 0	40
<u>Furniture -</u>				
Cabinet Maker	377. 0	"	371. 0	"
Chairmaker	377. 0	"	371. 0	"
French Polisher	377. 0	"	371. 0	"
Wood Carver	377. 0	"	371. 0	"
Wood Machinist	377. 0	"	371. 0	"
<u>Sawmilling and Timber Yards</u>				
Box and Case Maker	334. 0	"	326. 0	"
Labourer	301. 0	"	293. 0	"
<u>Machinist -</u>				
Boults Carver	376. 6	"	368. 6	"
Moulding	376. 6	"	368. 6	"
Planing	376. 6	"	368. 6	"
Shaping	376. 6	"	368. 6	"
Orderman	344. 6	"	336. 6	"
<u>Sawyer -</u>				
Band or Jig	379. 0	"	371. 0	"
Circular	369. 0	"	361. 0	"
Tallyman	338. 0	"	330. 0	"
<u>PAPER, PRINTING, ETC.</u>				
<u>Bookbinding -</u>				
Finisher	379. 0	"	371. 0	"
Bookbinder	379. 0	"	371. 0	"
Paper Ruler	379. 0	"	371. 0	"
<u>Printing (Daily Newspapers) -</u>				
Compositor (Machine) -				
Day Work	445. 0	"	478. 0	38
Night Work	465. 0	"	516. 0	"
Machinist (First Hand) -				
Day Work	400. 0	"	488. 0	40
Night Work	420. 0	"	531. 0	38
Publisher -				
Day Work	370. 0	"	407. 6	40
Night Work	390. 0	"	450. 6	38
Reader -				
Day Work	410. 0	"	454. 0	40
Night Work	430. 0	"	492. 0	38
Stereotyper -				
Day Work	400. 0	"	482. 6	39
Night Work	420. 0	"	525. 6	38
<u>Printing (Jobbing Offices) -</u>				
Compositor	408. 0	"	400. 0	40
Linotype Operator	408. 0	"	400. 0	"
Machinist	379. 0	"	371. 0	"
Reader	388. 6	"	380. 6	"
Stereotyper	379. 0	"	371. 0	"
<u>OTHER MANUFACTURING</u>				
<u>Brickmaking -</u>				
Burner	333. 6	"	340. 6	"
Pitman	348. 6	"	366. 0	"
Drawer	355. 6	"	355. 0	"
Trucker	344. 0	"	332. 0	"
Setter	355. 6	"	355. 0	"

WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS, ADULT MALES, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,  
30TH JUNE, 1960 - (Cont'd)

Industry and Occupation	SYDNEY		MELBOURNE	
	Wage Rate s. d.	Hours	Wage Rate s. d.	Hours
<u>OTHER MANUFACTURING (Cont'd)</u>				
<u>Electrical Supply</u>				
Electrical Fitter	468. 0	40	396. 6	40
Instrument Maker	496. 0	"	428. 6	"
Linesman	443. 0	"	371. 0	"
Sub-Station Maintenance Fitter	491. 0	"	371. 0	"
<u>Gas-making and Supply -</u>				
Coke Trimmer	323. 0	"	327. 6	"
Gasfitter	399. 0	"	386. 6	"
Labourer	335. 0	"	318. 9	"
Meter Tester	354. 0	"	357. 6	"
Service Layer	357. 0	"	364. 6	"
Service Layer's Labourer	318. 6	"	333. 0	"
Operatcr, Retort House	350. 6	"	355. 6	"
<u>Jewellery -</u>				
Chainmaker	374. 6	"	355. 0	"
Counter	394. 0	"	390. 0	"
Setter	394. 0	"	390. 0	"
<u>Leather and Canvas Work -</u>				
Canvas Worker	349. 6	"	341. 6	"
Leather Worker	349. 6	"	341. 6	"
<u>Tanning and Currying -</u>				
Beamsman	346. 6	"	338. 6	"
Labourer	308. 0	"	300. 0	"
Lime Jobber	343. 6	"	335. 6	"
Machinist -				
Shaving	356. 0	"	348. 0	"
Splitting	378. 6	"	370. 6	"
Unhairing	346. 6	"	338. 6	"
Tableman	347. 6	"	339. 6	"
<u>BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION (a) -</u>				
Bricklayer (Surface)	413. 4	"	445. 0	"
Bricklayer (Sewer and Tunnel)	433. 4	"	460. 10	"
Carpenter	420. 0	"	449. 2	"
Electrical Mechanic (Installation)	387. 0	"	371. 0	"
Mason (Stone)	387. 0	"	379. 3	"
Painter	408. 4	"	442. 6	"
Paperhanger	408. 4	"	442. 6	"
Signwriter	423. 4	"	442. 6	"
Plasterer (Surface)	418. 4	"	445. 0	"
Plumber	425. 6	"	462. 6	"
Labourer -				
Bricklayer's	340. 0	"	375. 0	"
Carpenter's	340. 0	"	375. 0	"
Concrete Worker	340. 0	"	375. 0	"
Earth Excavator	340. 0	"	375. 0	"
Gear Worker	354. 2	"	403. 4	"
Scaffold Hand	354. 2	"	403. 4	"

(a) Rates are weekly equivalents of hourly rates. They include allowances for sick pay, statutory holidays, following the job, etc.

WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS, ADULT MALES, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,30TH JUNE, 1960 - (Cont'd)

Industry and Occupation	SYDNEY		MELBOURNE	
	Wage Rate	Hours	Wage Rate	Hours
<u>RAILWAY SERVICES</u>				
Engine Driver (Loco) -				
Steam, Diesel Electric or Electric	455. 0	Ø	448. 0	Ø
Express Mail or Passenger	474. 0	Ø	467. 0	Ø
Shunting Engine	397. 0	Ø	373. 0	Ø
Fireman -				
Ordinary	349. 0	Ø	342. 0	Ø
Express Mail or Passenger	359. 0	Ø	352. 0	Ø
Shunting Engine	325. 0	Ø	318. 0	Ø
Guard -				
1st Class	382. 0	Ø	394. 0	Ø
2nd Class	351. 0	Ø	375. 0	Ø
Porter	311. 6	Ø	323. 0	Ø
Shunter -				
Head	458. 6	+	..	..
Leading	405. 6	+	398. 6	+
Ordinary	351. 0	+	344. 0	+
Signalman -				
1st Class	431. 0	+	390. 0	+
2nd Class	412. 0	Ø	368. 6	Ø
3rd Class	397. 0	Ø	352. 0	Ø
<u>ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT</u>				
Tramways -				
Conductor -				
1st Year	315. 0	Ø	304. 6	40
Thereafter	334. 0	Ø	323. 0	"
Labourer	312. 6	Ø	298. 0	"
Track Repairer	329. 0	Ø	308. 6	"
Tram Driver	350. 0	Ø	332. 6	"
Pitman	350. 0	Ø	337. 6	"
Carrying Merchandise -				
Carter -				
1 Horse	327. 0	40	305. 0	"
2 Horses	337. 0	"	321. 0	"
Stable Hand	327. 6	"	298. 0	"
Motor Lorries and Waggons -				
3 tons	357. 0	"	333. 0	"
Over 3 tons but under 6 tons	372. 0	"	345. 6	"
<u>SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING</u>				
Wharf Labour -				
Wharf Labourer (per hour)	11. 2½		11. 2½	
<u>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</u>				
Butchering (Retail) -				
Carter (1 horse)	336. 6	"	328. 6	"
General Butcher	377. 6	"	369. 6	"
Shopman	377. 6	"	369. 6	"
Smallgoodsman	377. 6	"	369. 6	"
Shop Assistants -				
Boot Salesman	347. 0	"	345. 3	"
Drapery Salesman	347. 0	"	345. 3	"
Furniture Salesman	347. 0	"	350. 3	"
Grocery Salesman	347. 0	"	343. 9	"
Hardware Salesman	347. 0	"	345. 3	"
Men's Clothing Salesman	347. 0	"	345. 3	"

Ø 80 hours per fortnight.

+ 76 hours per fortnight.

WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS, ADULT MALES, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,30TH JUNE, 1960 - (Cont'd)

Industry and Occupation			SYDNEY Hours			MELBOURNE Hours
	Wage Rate s. d.			Wage Rate s. d.		
<u>HOTELS, ETC. AND PERSONAL SERVICE</u>						
<u>Hotels -</u>						
Barman	334.	0	40	326.	0	40
Billiard Marker	308.	6	"	300.	6	"
Cook	430.	0	"	422.	0	"
Handyman	308.	6	"	300.	6	"
Kitchenman	308.	6	"	300.	6	"
Porter	308.	6	"	300.	6	"
Waiter	308.	6	"	300.	6	"
<u>HAIRDRESSING -</u>						
Hairdresser	371.	0	"	358.	0	"
<u>GENERAL LABOUR</u>						
<u>Factory Engine Driving -</u>						
Engine Driver -						
1st Class	363.	6	"	355.	6	"
2nd Class	350.	0	"	342.	0	"
Fireman -						
1st Class	340.	6	"	332.	6	"
2nd Class	324.	6	"	316.	6	"
Municipal -						
Labourer	346.	0	"	316.	0	"
Street Sweeper	350.	0	"	323.	0	"
<u>Storemen and Packers -</u>						
Packer (General)	335.	0	"	330.	6	"
Storeman (General)	335.	0	"	330.	6	"

WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS, ADULT FEMALES, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,30TH JUNE, 1960

<u>TEXTILES, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR</u>						
<u>Bootmaking</u>	234.	6	40	234.	6	40
<u>Dressmaking (Readymade) - Cutter</u>	259.	0	"	259.	0	"
<u>Millinery - Cutter</u>	259.	0	"	259.	0	"
<u>Shirt Making - Cutter</u>	259.	0	"	259.	0	"
<u>Underclothing - Cutter</u>	259.	0	"	259.	0	"
<u>Tailoring (Men's) Order -</u>						
Coat Hand (Machinist)	259.	0	"	259.	0	"
Trousers and Vest Hand	240.	6	"	240.	6	"
Tailoress	286.	0	"	286.	0	"
Adult Female	214.	0	"	214.	0	"
<u>Tailoring (Men's) Readymade -</u>						
Coat Hand (Machinist)	244.	0	"	244.	0	"
Trousers and Vest Hand	236.	6	"	236.	6	"
Adult Female	214.	0	"	214.	0	"
<u>Textile Working (Woollen Mills) -</u>						
Comb Minder	231.	6	"	231.	6	"
Darner and Mender	238.	0	"	238.	0	"
Warper, Plain	234.	0	"	234.	0	"
Weaver, Loom	238.	0	"	238.	0	"
Gillbox Minder	229.	0	"	229.	0	"
Other Adult	211.	0	"	211.	0	"

WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS, ADULT FEMALES, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,  
30TH JUNE, 1960 - (Cont'd)

Industry and Occupation	SYDNEY		MELBOURNE	
	Wage Rate s. d.	Hours	Wage Rate s. d.	Hours
<u>FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO</u>				
Biscuit Making	235. 6	40	231. 6	40
Confectionery	233. 6	"	224. 0	"
<u>PAPER, PRINTING, ETC.</u>				
Bookbinding -				
Folder	242. 6	"	236. 6	"
Sewer	242. 6	"	236. 6	"
Cardboard Box -				
Boxmaker	240. 0	"	234. 0	"
Other	228. 0	"	222. 0	"
Printing -				
Jobbing Office Assistant	242. 6	"	236. 6	"
<u>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</u>				
Clerks -				
Cashier (Shops)	273. 0	"	265. 3	"
Clerical Assistant	282. 6	"	260. 6	"
Shops -				
Boot Saleswoman	273/- and 347/-	"	242/3 and 345/3	"
Drapery Saleswoman	273/- and 347/-	"	242/3 and 345/3	"
Fruit and Confectionery				
Saleswoman	265. 6	"	237. 3	"
Newsagent and Bookstall				
Saleswoman	265. 6	"	228. 0	"
<u>HOTELS, ETC. AND PERSONAL SERVICE</u>				
Hotels -				
Barmaid	263. 0	"	326. 0	"
Housemaid	234. 0	"	228. 0	"
Laundress	235. 0	"	229. 0	"
Waitress - Head	242. 6	"	236. 6	"
Other	234. 0	"	228. 0	"
Restaurants -				
Pantry Maid	241. 0	"	226. 0	"
Waitress	241. 0	"	226. 0	"

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